

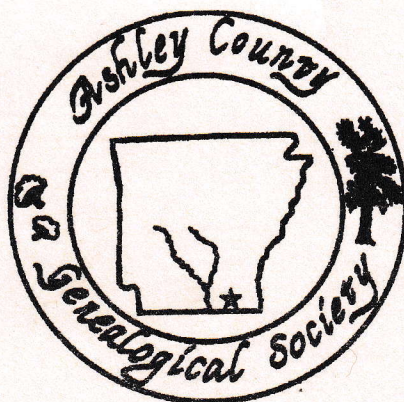
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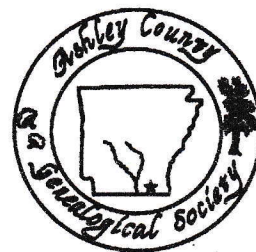


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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear ACGS Friends:

Once in a while I chance across the Objectives of ACGS as envisioned by those who founded the organization. They deserve to be repeated occasionally for us all to review.

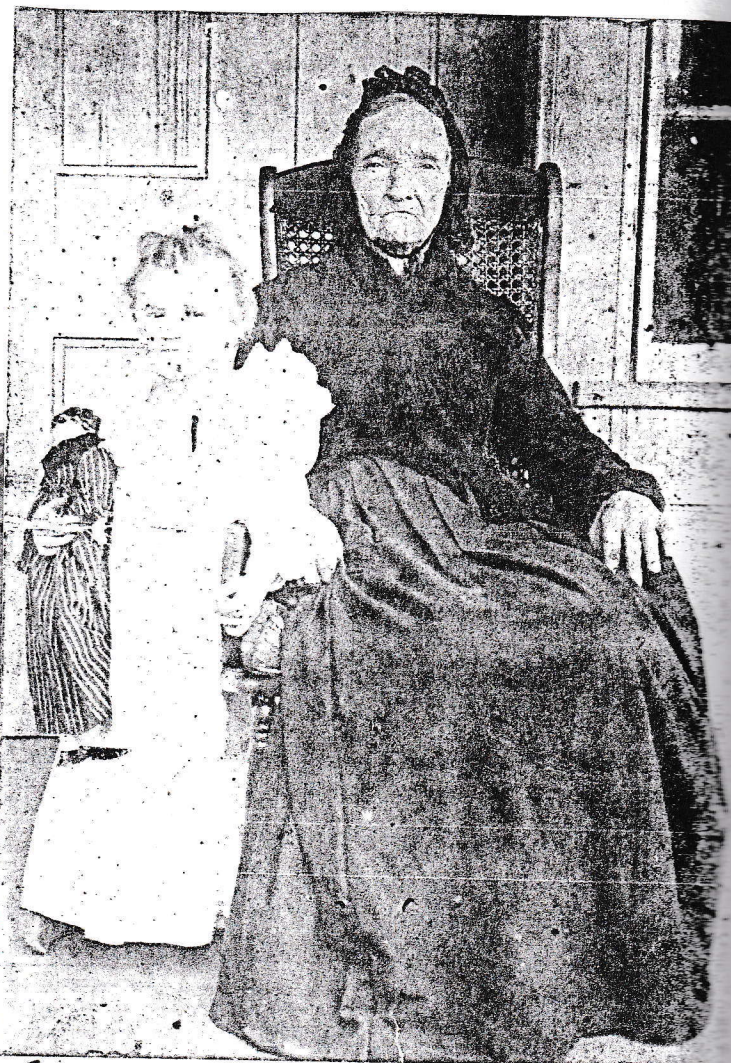
1. To increase interest in and raise the standard of genealogical research and compilation by means of educational programs, workshops, and the publication of genealogical data.
2. To encourage and instruct members in the art and practice of genealogical research and compilation, as well as to acquaint members with sources of genealogical material in Ashley County and elsewhere.
3. To serve, through its periodicals and otherwise, as a medium of exchange of genealogical information.
4. To promote the collection, preservation and utilization of manuscripts, documents, and other materials of genealogical value.
5. To aid libraries in their maintenance and acquisition of genealogical materials.

These are lofty goals and our society has taken them seriously. In February 2002 we will have another Beginners' Workshop. (Objective 1) Our regular monthly programs, as well as the newsletter and ***Kin Kollecing*** are geared toward encouraging and instructing members in genealogical art and practice. (Objective 2) Our organization exchanges quarterlies with other genealogical and historical societies all across the country. The periodicals they send to us in exchange are all placed in the Paul Sullins Library for use by genealogical research. (Objective 3) We encourage people to share their Ashley County genealogical research by having it published in ***Kin Kollecing*** or one of our other publications. (Objective 4) We aid the genealogical sections of many libraries, even nationally known ones, by making our Ashley County information and publications available to them. Many of these libraries are members of our society. (Objective 5)

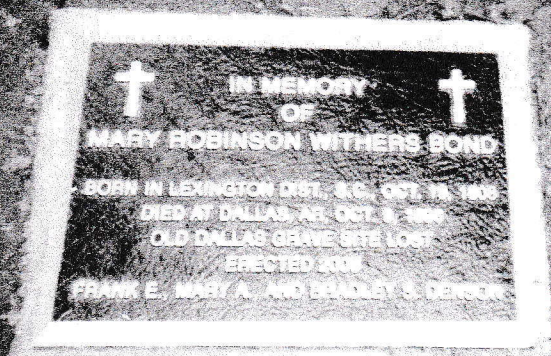
Right now our society has the need to publish a new book. All our ***Kin Kollecing*** issues are indexed, but we need a consolidated index for all of the issues that have been published since 1986. There are extra copies of each issue, but today's researcher has no way to tell which book they need to find their own ancestor. Once these individual indexes were put into a consolidated database, the information in our past quarterlies would be readily available to today's researcher. I'll be glad to copy all the individual quarterly indexes if we can get volunteers to transcribe them into a Microsoft database. Do I have any takers?



Mary R. Withers Bond  
M. E. Church South  
Hamburg-Dallas-Mena



Mary R. Bond  
(girl) Edith Christmas



Mary Robinson Bond was born in Lexington District, S.C., October 19, 1808 and died at Dallas, Arkansas on October 9, 1896.

Mary Bond was said to be, "A remarkable woman for the strength and scope of her intellectual facilities, which were vigorous at the ripe age of 88 years; remarkable for her power of endurance as manifested through a long life of unusual suffering and trial; remarkable above all else for saintliness of her life and character."

At the age of 12 Mary professed her faith and joined the Methodist Church under the ministry of Stephen Olin. She continued her association with the Methodist faith until her death.



Mary Robinson Withers was the oldest sister of steamboat Captain Robert J. Withers, who settled at Longview on the Saline River.

She was a sister-in-law to Rev. Haskew, who married two of her sisters. When the first, Anna Elizabeth, died and he married the second, Sarah Capers Withers Doyle. Sarah Doyle's child, a son, disappeared after the murder of Rev. Haskew's son-in-law, John Cook Downey.

Mary R. Withers married Frank Bond, a Hamburg merchant who disappeared without a trace. Her only son, F. Frank Bond, a Methodist minister, died young from an overdose of morphine.

In the early 1850s, Mrs. Bond moved in with relatives, first living with Dr. and Mrs. Buckner D. Christmas, her daughter and son-in-law.

Records indicate that in 1879 she and grandson, James Yancy Christmas, were living with James' sister and her husband, the Louis Armstrong Lowry family. The Lowry family home was adjacent to the Zion Methodist Church and Cemetery in the Milo community. At the time of her death Mrs. Bond was living with her grandson, Rev. James Yancy Christmas.

Mrs. Bond was the daughter of a Methodist minister; the sister of a Methodist minister; the sister-in-law of a Methodist minister, the mother of a Methodist minister and the grandmother of a Methodist minister.

Knowing her connection to the Methodist faith one doesn't wonder that she organized a Methodist church herself.

The History of the First Methodist Church of Hamburg, Arkansas, states, "Sometime during the time of 1848-1850, a woman by the name of Mary E. Bond organized the first church school in Hamburg. By 1850 there were enough Methodist people in Hamburg that a minister was sent by the conference. The minister was the Rev. Peter Haskew."

Rev. Haskew was known as the father of the Prairie Chapel Methodist Church which was located just east of Longview.

Mary Bond was a believer of the old school of worship. She was plain and modest in her bodily attire, devout in spirit, and she was given to much study of the Word of God, and to prayer. She observed the quarterly and stated fasts, and she was punctual in attendance for prayers and class meetings. She attended the public ministrations of the word by holding family prayer night and morning, as long as she had family. She was a worthy representative of the best type of early Methodism.

To quote her obituary, "She was an earnest believer in the Wesleyan Doctrine of perfect love and she made no ostentatious professions of her attainment in Christian experience, yet she meekly claimed the sufficiency of all-cleansing blood and manifested to the world the profession of that love which casteth out all fear."

Judging from the meager facts presented, one can only judge that her life was full of sorrow and worldly trials.

Although an early widow, she organized and for a time, superintended the first Sunday School in the town of Hamburg, Ashley County. For many years she was one of the pillars of the church. Her home was that of a young preacher, who found in her a wise counselor and friend.

Mary was also a sister to Rev. H. R. Withers, of the Little Rock Methodist Conference, (as was her late son, Rev. F.F. Bond, and her grandson, Rev. J.Y. Christmas).



Young Rev. Christmas often said, "All that I am, under God, I owe to grandma's influence and prayers."

Captain Withers, was also said to be a devout Methodist. However, for whatever reason, he was responsible for killing John Cook Downey, his and Mary's brother-in-law. Without information on the murder, we only know that from the 8<sup>th</sup> of August 1860, he spent the 8<sup>th</sup> of August each following year in solitude, evidently as a personal penitence.

A contact with the Downey family says that the family story is that he was accidentally shot while Captain Withers was cleaning his gun.

In the last years of her life Mary Bond lived with the grandson she had raised, J.Y. Christmas, in old Dallas. She died in 1896, just as the new town of Mena was being born.

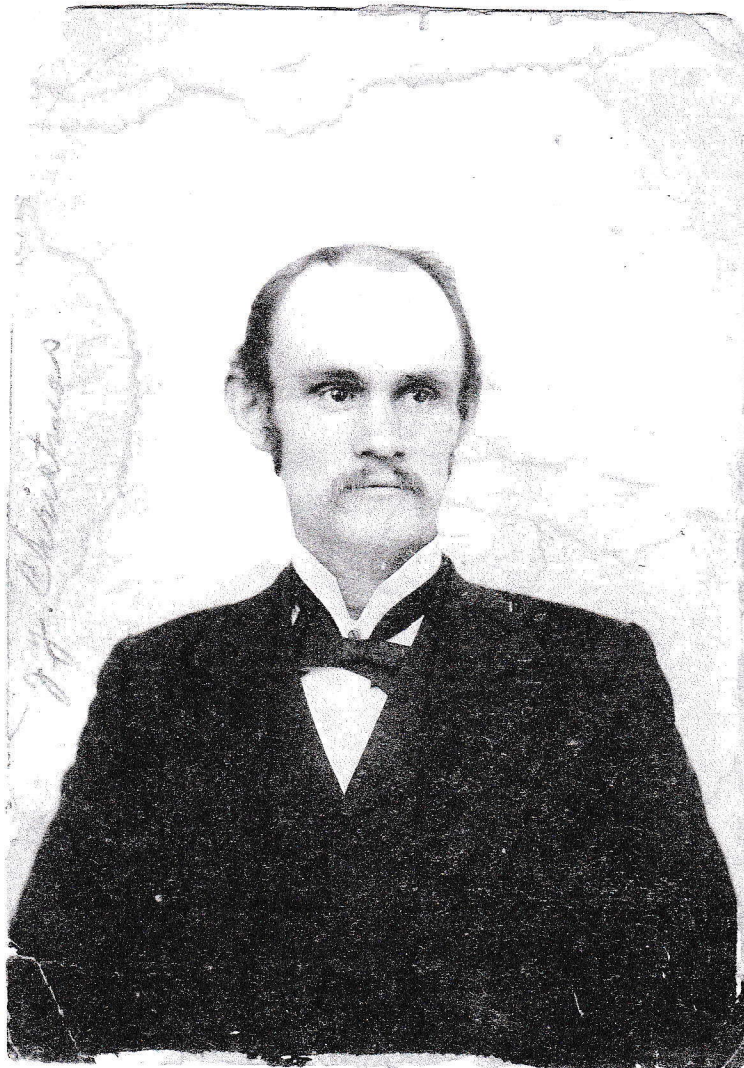
### J. Y. Christmas

James Yancy Christmas was born in Ashley County, Arkansas, in 1856. He was orphaned in childhood and raised by his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Withers Bond, a devout Methodist matron who trained him in the faith and virtue of her religion from his infancy.

Young Christmas attended church from his early boyhood. His education opportunities were limited as the family lived in the country and the Civil War was soon upon them. However, he became a good English scholar and through the years gained an education, of sorts, from his general reading habits.

J.Y. Christmas was licensed to preach in 1881, and admitted to the Little Rock Conference in 1883. He was appointed to the Collins Mission and was paid \$130.70, with an appropriation of \$50 from the Mission Board. He served at Bartholomew, Social Hill, Sheridan, Stuttgart, Arkansas Post, New Liberty, and old Dallas. In 1896 he came to what was called "Mena Station." This was, of course, Mena, Arkansas.

After the family moved into Polk County they seemed to live a quiet, secluded life, dedicated to the ministry, and helping their fellowman. There are no records to be found of the earliest years in Polk County, while they were living in old Dallas. The records were burned in three court house fires, the last in 1883.





No record was found of his marriage, and no record of his wife's name. She is always referred to as Mrs. Christmas.

*The Mena Star*, which has survived from the day it was first published, printed periodic notices concerning Rev. Christmas from its first day of printing until he left Mena a year later. The last article found was his obituary in 1904.

James Yancy Christmas was forty years old when he established the Methodist Church South in Mena. How long he had lived in old Dallas is unknown.

On August 26, 1896, *The Mena Star* tells us that he was given a lot owned by *The Star*, and located just beyond *The Star* office on Honert (Maple) Avenue, for the building of a temporary church. A temporary building was completed within the week, and services were held the next Sunday.

The next notice of Rev. Christmas was quite unique. On his way to church on an early October morning, he was stopped by a gentleman who wanted him to perform a wedding ceremony. Although pressed for time, Rev. Christmas followed the man to a tent on DeQueen Street, where he married Mr. Theodore Woodall and Mrs. Mattie Lambert.

Hurrying on to the temporary tabernacle of the Methodist Church South, Rev. Christmas filled his appointment. Afterward he was approached and asked to perform a wedding ceremony for Mr. H. B. Williams and Mrs. Mattie Lambert. Stunned, he commented that he had just married Mrs. Lambert to another man earlier in the morning. His mind was soon put at rest when it was explained that there were two Mattie Lamberts in town, and both were widows, one being 33 and the other 34 years old. The ceremony was performed.

That same Sunday morning Rev. Christmas organized a choir with twenty voices contributing. Mr. Tabbs was the song leader and Mr. Hayworth presided at the organ.

On October 14<sup>th</sup> it was announced that Rev. Christmas had decided to move his family from Dallas to Mena, and had a large force of carpenters at work on his residence, and he hoped to be able to move in the next week.

On October 21, 1896 the M. E. Church South was officially organized. Although Rev. Christmas had been holding services for over two months there was no official organization. So, instead of a regular preaching service he organized a society of the church with a charter of 17 members.

Only a month later it was noted that the temporary tabernacle had served its purpose in housing the congregation of the M. E. Church South, and that it was to be torn down and the lumber used in the erection of the new church building which had already commenced.

The December 9<sup>th</sup> *Star* had one of the very few notices mentioning the Baptist Church at old Dallas. The Methodist and Baptist were to hold a joint Christmas tree program.

Later in the month Rev. Christmas attended the annual conference of the M. E. Church in Camden. At that meeting Rev. Christmas was given the charge of the Mena church and assigned as pastor. Evidently he was relieved of his duties at the Dallas church, as it was said that he would, "devote his entire time and energies to the work of the church at this place...."

By the last day of December the roof was on the new church and it was nearing completion. The first services were held in the new church on the third week of January 1897. The main room of the church was 24 x 56 feet, with a wing on either side, giving the church a seating capacity of 350.



The first service was held by Rev. Christmas, but the evening service was held by Rev. J. A. Sage, presiding elder of the Mena district.

Not wanting to let opportunity slide by, the two ministers "hit" the congregation up after the meeting for donations for new benches to replace the rough-sawn ones, which had most likely been moved from the tabernacle.

In late April, the Rev. and Mrs. Christmas were treated to a "pound" party by members of the church.

It was never uncommon to "pay the preacher" in goods, rather than cash, and pound parties were one way of compensating for the small income a preacher received. Members of the congregation and friends would bring a "pound" of some staple product, or a cooked product as a gift. For instance, a pound of flour or sugar, or a pound cake.

Rev. Christmas was not the first preacher to hold a service in the new town of Mena, however. The first mention of religious services I have found was on August 2, 1896, when a Christian preacher from Missouri held a service in Janssen Park. The first mention of Rev. Christmas was on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Another interesting and unusual notice in *The Star*, was the announcement on April 14, 1897, that S. P. Crow, a colored Methodist Episcopal preacher, of Dallas, would hold Easter services on a lot donated to the church by the M. K. & T. Trust. Those planning to attend were asked to bring their dinner and stay all day. Plans were underway to build a church on the lot.

The Methodist Episcopal Church North was organized March 9, 1898, with 22 members.

The First Baptist Church Sunday School was organized in the school tent, on November 15, 1896, with Clark Dickover as superintendent. No permanent church organization was effected until February 21, 1897, when the First Baptist Church of Mena was organized, Rev. E. S. James, of Potter, acting as moderator. There were 10 members present. Services continued to be held in the school building until the next June, when a temporary tabernacle was erected. The first pastor of the church was Rev. W. L. Compere, who was called on August 1, 1897.

According to *The Star*, September 1, 1897, Rev. Mr. Barber had been holding services in Mena for a couple of weeks, and assisted the local members of the Christian Church in forming a church organization. No pastor had been chosen, and there were about 50 members.

*The Star* of January 26, 1898, says that the church was organized on November 28, 1897, with Rev. E. C. Browning, of Little Rock, presiding, and about thirty members were enrolled on the church book. A building, 32x38 on the corner of Port Arthur Avenue and Campbell (Eleventh) Street, had been commenced.

The First Presbyterian Church was organized by Rev. H. A. Tucker of Van Buren on February 2, 1897. Rev. David Park, a student at the McCormick Seminary, was there for nearly four months during his summer vacation. Then Rev. Tucker was back. A small church was built on the corner of Amsterdam (Ninth) and Zwolle (Church) Streets, and was dedicated on December 5, 1897.

The first Catholic service held was November 1, 1896, with Rev. McCarmack.

On October 27, 1897, *The Star* announced that "Christmas" had come early to the home of Rev. and Mrs. J.Y. Christmas, in the form of a little girl, whom they assured would make everybody merry for many years to come.

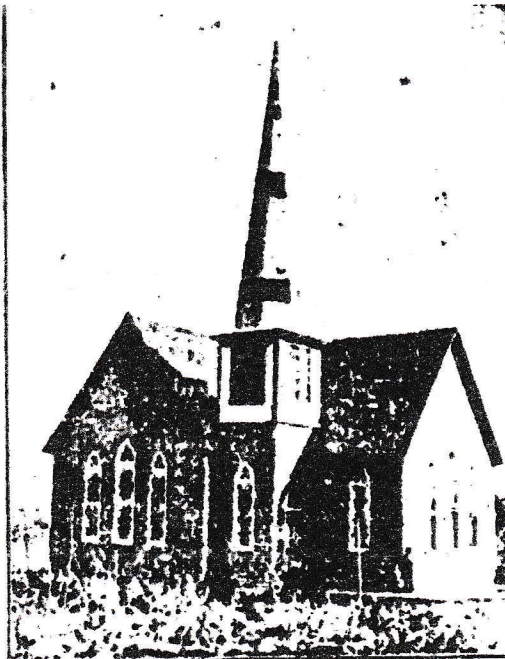


# Methodist Churches

Top right: This is the second building occupied by the M.E. Church South. The first was a temporary tabernacle located at Fourth & Maple Streets.

The building shown here is the not one which originally held the stained-glass windows. They can be see below in the third church building. That building was torn down and a new one, the present one, was built in 1965.

Below center: This is the M.E. Church North, which was later sold to the Nazarene Church. The members of this church consolidated with the M.E. Church South. Later, the Acorn M.E. Church also moved its membership and the new name of the present church became the First Methodist Church.

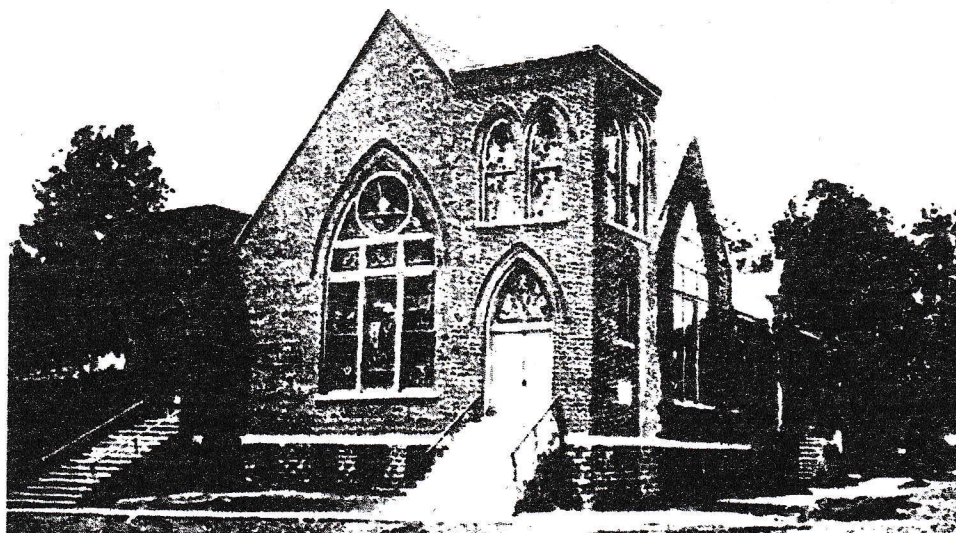


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M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.



Right: This church held the beautiful stained-glass windows, which became scattered among various citizens in the area. I know that Monty and Ruth Montgomery told me they had several of the windows.

As the accompanying story tells, two of the windows have been relocated. The main front window is in the present Methodist





(It is interesting to note that the baby was born, and the church organized, and the smallest of announcements made about Rev. Christmas, but no mention was made of his grandmother, Mrs. Bond, or her death.)

December 1<sup>st</sup> brought another "pound" party for the couple, as the Reverend started off to Pine Bluff for another church conference.

In that notice of *The Star* credit was given to Mr. Christmas saying, "...he may well be classed as the pioneer minister of Mena, preaching his first sermon in the Green & Lewis Sawmill on the fourth Sunday in August 1896, and the second that night in Janssen Park. His next services were held in the tabernacle built upon *The Star* office lots and this was used regularly as a place of service until November when the large church now occupied, was started....."

Judging from the fact that Rev. Christmas received more coverage than any other preacher, and the M. E. Church South more than any other denomination, it must have been a sad time when, on December 15, 1897, after returning from the Pine Bluff conference, Rev. Christmas told his congregation that he was being replaced. *The Star* announced that Rev. C. L. Green, had arrived the week before and preached his first sermon.

According to Frank Denson, (a descendant ) the Christmas family relocated first to Hampton, Arkansas, then to Swan Lake, to Stephens and to Waldo.

While at Waldo his health, precarious for years, utterly broke down and in 1902 he was appointed to Park Avenue, in Hot Springs, in hope that the thermal waters and the mountain air would bring improvement, but consumption set in and he was unable to do the work.

In 1903 he was placed on the superannuate list and lingered until September 11, 1904, when he passed away.

Ashley County still has descendants of both Mrs. Bond and Rev. Haskew, but as far as is known there are no relatives living in Polk County.

*The Mena Weekly Star* carried the obituary as a dispatch from Hot Springs to the *Arkansas Gazette* on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Although the papers called him, "an old gentleman," he was only forty-six when he died. He was forty-two when he left Mena, so that didn't leave much time for his other appointments.

No mention was made of his survivors, not his wife, his child, nor his grandmother were ever mentioned in *The Star* reports by name.

I want to thank Mr. Frank Denson for bringing this story back to Polk County, and for sharing his knowledge of the family.

### The Old Dallas Methodist Church Windows.

Frank E. Denson of Crossett, Ashley County, Arkansas is interested in history, family and local. On May 20, 1998, less than two weeks after he had a story about Mrs. Mary R. Withers Bond published in *The Ashley County Ledger*, he decided to come to Polk County and try to locate the grave of this interesting connection to his family history.

Mrs. Bond was Mr. Denson's great-great-great-grandmother. Of course, she died long before he was born, so he only knew her from the printed pages of past history.



His trip to Mena was not uneventful, although, he did not find a tombstone. However, from here I will let him tell you in his own words.

*I failed to find the Bond grave and I did not find her name on a list in the Mena library, which supposedly contains the names of the people buried at Dallas. But, it is understandable that no monument was ever erected, considering a Methodist minister's salary at that time. It is also assumed that Mrs. Bond had few worldly goods.*

*On trips across the country seeking out information about various ancestors, I usually meet some gracious people who are willing to help a genealogy addict. My visit to Mena was no exception. I first met some longtime local residents who were very helpful with general information on the Old Dallas area.*

*Through these nice people I was introduced to Bonnie Bonsell-Salyer. This introduction produced one of those unexpected bonuses. Bonnie has in the north wall of her home a stained glass window. It is a memorial to Rev. James Yancy Christmas....*

*My chance of discovering the Christmas window, which I didn't know existed, was about as remote as the chance of it still being in existence. I understand that when the present Mena Methodist Church was built in 1965, various stained glass windows from the old church were stacked or piled on the sidewalk. I was told by Bonnie Salyer, "I shudder to think what would have happened to the valuable stained glass windows from the Methodist Church in town if Vernon Rogers hadn't passed by and asked what they were going to do with the windows. The answer was to send them to the city dump!"*

*"It was during the 1960s that three ladies, my mother (Margaret Buelah Hughes Bonsell), Mrs. George Cook and Mrs. Jim Means located the A. P. Alexander Memorial window and the one for Rev. Christmas in Vernon Rogers' barn.*

*"At that time the ladies bought the windows, and hired a carpenter to install them in the Old Dallas Methodist Church, for all to enjoy. There they stayed until the Methodist Conference chose to sell the church.*

*"Doris Strauss is a descendant of the Alexanders and she took the A. P. Alexander window. Since we could not locate any descendant of Rev. Christmas, I (Bonnie Salyer) asked for the window.*

*"The church was sold in 1996. Doris and I paid for the windows to be removed and the installation of plain windows before the church was sold.*

*"A preservation group has the rights to the Old Dallas Methodist Church bell, and it is hoped that a safe permanent location has been found for it, and that it has been moved there by now."*

Bonnie told me that a memorial was planned for Mrs. Bond and a modest plaque in her memory had been ordered and delivered to her.

While at the Mena Methodist Church I ran into Dr. Sidney H. Simpson. He was surprised to meet a, (1934-37) playmate of Rev. Hollis Huston Simpson, his father. Hollis lived with his father, John N. Simpson, on a small Methodist Circuit, (Fountain Hill), in Southeast Arkansas.

Sincerely

Frank Denson

So, on a cold blustery Saturday October 7, 2000, Frank Denson along with two of his sisters, drove to Mena and to Old Dallas to meet with several people who had an interest



in the Old Dallas Cemetery, and who joined with Bonnie and Frank in the long overdue dedication of a plaque immortalizing Mrs. Mary R. Withers Bond.

I was at the dedication, but I did not take notes. I had a new video camera and trusted it to capture the important gathering. It did a great job, in spite of the wind. However, when I got ready to transcribe the tape it hung in the VCR and was chewed up and broken.

My trusty friend and former teacher, Rudy Timmerman, at RMCC can usually fix such blunders, but he was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to attend a special school in Florida for the summer, and has not been available to assist me.

My apologies to those who attended for not being able to include their individual stories in this piece.

Again thanks to Bonnie and Frank for sharing Mrs. Bond with us. It is only in this way that we can relate to those old timers who were in Polk County a century or more ago.

The above article appeared in the June, 2001 issue of *The Mountain Signal*, a Mena, Arkansas publication dedicated in "Preserving History In The Ouachita Mountains."

Shirley (Shewmake) Manning author of this article and Publisher/Editor of *The Mountain Signal*, granted permission for the article to be reproduced here.

"The next issue (July, 2001) will be the last one for me, and I look forward to that with both sadness and glee. I'll love the freedom of not having a deadline, but miss the many letters, phone calls, and other contacts made because of publishing the magazine." Shirley Manning

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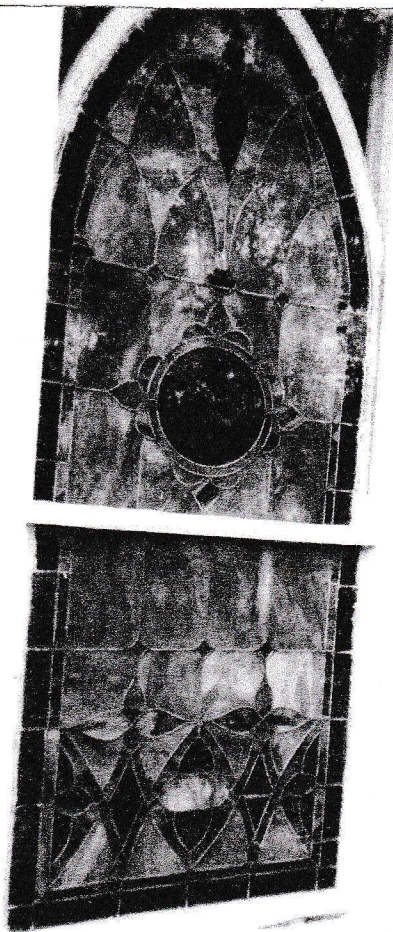




Left to right above: Bonnie Bonsell Salyers, Frank Denson, Nancy Denson Woods, Shirley Manning, mostly hidden from camera, Rev. Copes of the Mena Methodist Church, unknown lady, and Cleo Tucker.  
Below front and center: Rev. Copes





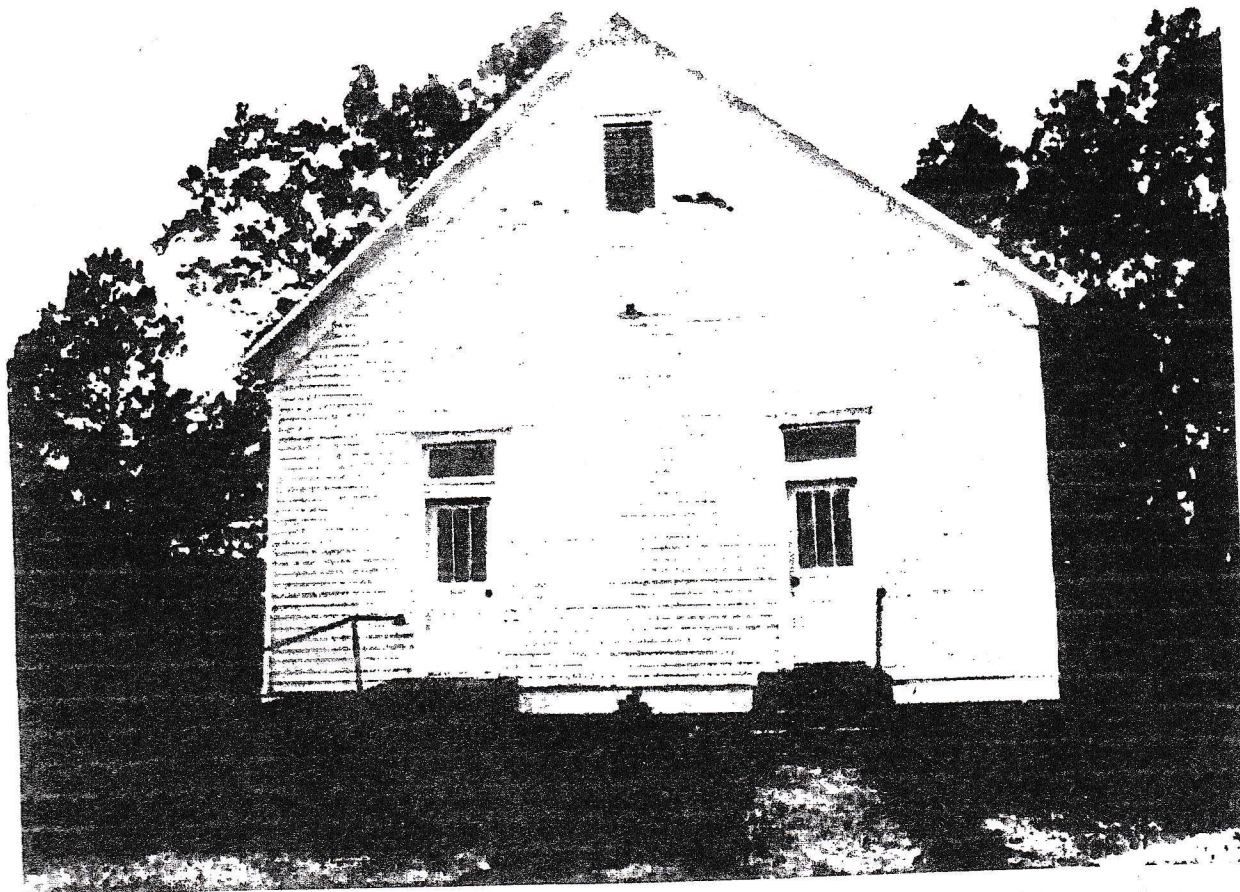


Top: Methodist Church windows memorializing Rev. James Yancy Christmas

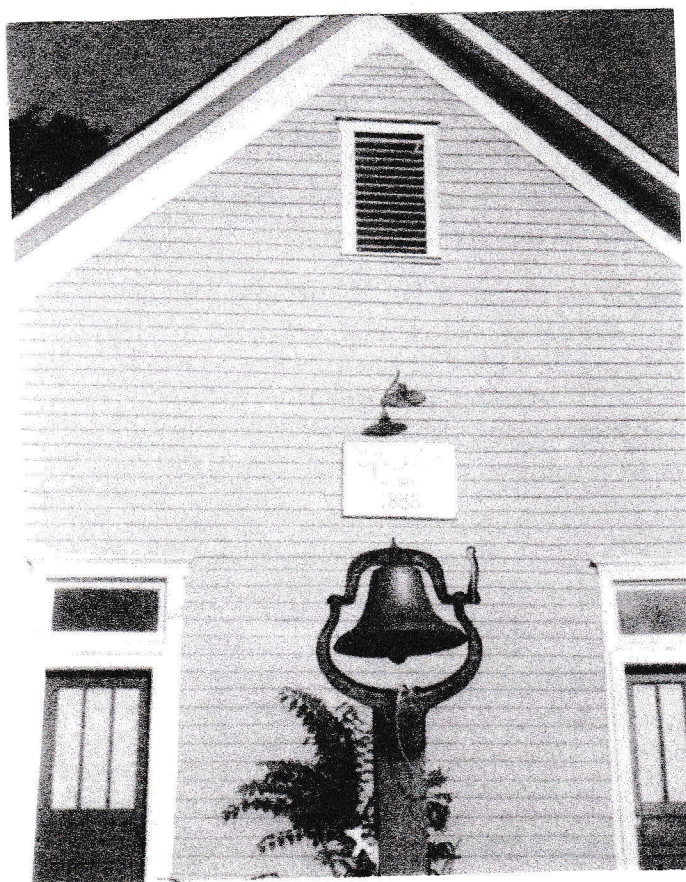


OLD DALLAS CEMETERY





Old Dallas Methodist Church  
 Top: Early 1990s  
 Bottom: May 20, 1998



Old Dallas Methodist Church - Oldest standing in Polk County.



## *Descendants of William H. Slocum*

Contributed by: Bill and Marleen Palmer, 2610 Elkhart Dr., Little Rock, AR 72204.

### *Generation No. 1*

1. WILLIAM H.<sup>1</sup> SLOCUM was born 1829 in Mississippi, and died February 1880 in Ashley County, Arkansas. He married ELIZABETH WHITE.

Children of WILLIAM SLOCUM and ELIZABETH WHITE are:

- i. EXAR<sup>2</sup> SLOCUM, b. 1848.
- ii. WILLIAM E. SLOCUM, b. 1850.
2. iii. ELIGAH W. SLOCUM, b. May 01, 1853, Mississippi; d. April 17, 1904.
- iv. SARAH SLOCUM, b. 1854.
3. v. MARTHA W. "MATTIE" SLOCUM, b. December 19, 1859; d. October 29, 1943, Hamburg, Arkansas.
4. vi. FRANCIS MARION SLOCUM, b. February 20, 1861, Arkansas; d. February 06, 1914.
5. vii. JOHN CARROLL SLOCUM, b. February 14, 1864; d. March 09, 1928.
6. viii. GEORGIA ANN SLOCUM, b. February 25, 1869; d. April 07, 1941.

### *Generation No. 2*

2. ELIGAH W.<sup>2</sup> SLOCUM (*WILLIAM H.<sup>1</sup>*) was born May 01, 1853 in Mississippi, and died April 17, 1904. He married DORCAS DELITHA ANNE MEARS December 25, 1873.

Notes for ELIGAH W. SLOCUM:

Obituary from ASHLEY COUNTY EAGLE dated April 21, 1904

Two of Pine Prairie's best and most useful citizens were claimed by death on Sunday last.

Early Sunday morning Mr. E. W. Slocum, aged about fifty-five years, passed away, and a few hours later Mr. John A. Wheat, aged about fifty-four years, residing in the same neighborhood, breathed his last, after an illness of several weeks duration beginning with the measles and ending with pneumouia.

Mr. Slocum leaves a wife and six children sadly bereaved, and Mr. Wheat is suurvived by his wife and ten children, both men having a large circle of relatives and friends among whom they will be sadly missed.

Mr. Slocum was a member of Berea Camp, W. O. W., and Mr. Wheat had recently joined Hamburg Camp No. 7, of the same order.

Members of the two Camps united in the funeral services, both burials taking place at Mr. Olive Cemetery, near Berea on Monday last.

The Eagle extends heartfelt sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of these good citizens in the great bereavement which falls so heavily upon them.



Notes for DORCAS DELITHA ANNE MEARS:

Obituary from

dated

Sister Dorcas Delitha Anne Mears was born in Flordia, January 16, 1850. Died September 1, 1922, being more than 72 years old.

She was buried at Mt. Olive cemetery, funeral services were conducted by their pastor, Elder Herman Johnson. She moved to Arkansas with her parents in 1854, married Elizah Slocum, December 25, 1873. To this union were seven children born. Bro. Slocum died in 1903.

Six children, Mrs. Tralucia Powell of Milo, John of Midway, George of Jones, La., Charley of Mist, Wiley of Wilmar and Ethel Wisner; one brother, George Mears of Fountain Hill; one sister, Mrs. Ella Slocum of Promise Land; besides grandchildren and numerous other relatives and friends are left here to mourn their loss.

While Sister Slocum has been an invaild for many years, she has borne her sufferings patiently and was seriously sick only a few hours dying at the home and in the arms of her baby daughter, Mrs. Ethel Wisner at Gates Camp, Wilmar, Ark.

Having professed faith in Christ at an early age, she was a christian, her whole life was a benediction, a leading light, a follower humble, yet earnest and true. A neighbor to be appreciated; a friend indeed to the wayward and careless. A lover of the beautiful and best in life and music, encouraging her children in each, but upholding none of the flippancies and inconsistencies of the present day. In all, a life to be loved, honored, sacred in memory and worthy of eumulation.

Enduring much of life's sorrows, having few of its pleasures, yet faithful to the end, therefore, especially prepared to hear her Lord and Master say "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord," for we feel assured she is at rest.

Dear loved ones, mourn not, but as we gather round our serveral firesides these long winter evenings thinking, thinking, thinking, and in spite of all ur trying to forget, our sadness, our loss, our loneliness will ever present the sad fact, "we have no mother, no grandmother" here to give us a smiling welcome when we come in, nor wave us a goodbye when we leave. Then may we realize that there is just another precious link to bind us closer to Heaven. Another reminder of the uncertainty of life, "the certainty of death," and the imperative need of so living here to be ready with a glad shout to meet and live with her in that, "home eternal in the heavens, not made with hands."

May the God of Goodness, Mercy, and Love sustain our hope and give us consolation.



Lovingly.

Children of ELIGAH SLOCUM and DORCAS MEARS are:

7. i. MARY TRALUCIA<sup>3</sup> SLOCUM, b. October 24, 1874; d. April 04, 1924.
- ii. WILLIAM H. SLOCUM, b. July 10, 1876; d. February 15, 1896.
8. iii. WILEY SLOCUM, b. January 1879, Arkansas; d. Crossett, Arkansas.
9. iv. JOHN WESLEY SLOCUM, b. December 10, 1881, Arkansas; d. June 04, 1959, Wilmar, Arkansas.
10. v. CHARLES F. SLOCUM, b. September 05, 1885, Arkansas; d. June 15, 1931.
11. vi. GEORGE WASHINGTON SLOCUM, b. November 19, 1887, Ashely County, Arkansas; d. October 28, 1972, Bastrop, Louisiana.
- vii. ETHEL SLOCUM, b. October 15, 1889; d. July 05, 1923; m. JOHN C. WISNER.

3. MARTHA W. "MATTIE"<sup>2</sup> SLOCUM (*WILLIAM H.*<sup>1</sup>) was born December 19, 1859, and died October 29, 1943 in Hamburg, Arkansas. She married HENRY DAVID CARPENTER August 10, 1885 in Berea, Arkansas.

Notes for MARTHA W. "MATTIE" SLOCUM:

Obituary from ASHLEY COUNTY LEADER dated November 4, 1943

Mrs. Henry D. Carpenter, age 83, early resident of Ashley county, died at her home here Friday. Mrs. Carpenter was born in Ouachita county December 19, 1859 and spent most of her life in Hamburg. She was blind many years and vividly remembered the old pioneer days.

Surviving are her husband, three sons, Albert, Charles and W. H. Carpenter of Hamburg, and a daughter, Mrs. W. Bennon of Alexandria, La.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Promise Land Baptist Church by the Rev. H. C. Crittenden and the Rev. S. E. Powell.

Active pallbearers: M. F. Taylor, R. A. Cody, Charlie Sawyer, H. H. Pickering, Cecil Pistole and Allen Linder.

Honorary pallbearers: R. R. Riley, E. T. Johnson, J. A. Nolley, Rev. C. C. Young, J. R. Woods, John Wilcoxon, Dr. L. C. Barnes, M. E. Sawyer, John T. Norman, Tom Compere, Twyman Taylor and Guy Duckworth.

Notes for HENRY DAVID CARPENTER:

Obituary from ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT dated February 16, 1951

H. D. Carpenter, 89, retired Hamburg clothing merchant, died in his home here yesterday. Mr. Carpenter, a native of Ashley county and a member of a pioneer family, was in business for over 50 years. Starting as a farmer in the Promised Land community, he began the operation of a clothing store in the outskirts of Hamburg at the turn of the century. He moved three times to larger quarters in the downtown business section before his retirement about 15 years ago. The store is now operated by his son, George A. Carpenter.



Mr. Carpenter was the husband of the late Mrs. Mattie Slocum Carpenter, who preceeded him in death in 1943.

He is survived by three sons; George A., Charles F, and Bill Carpenter, all of Hamburg; one daughter, Mrs. Gehie Brennon, Monroe, La., and a brother, John C. Carpenter, Hamburg, Route 2.

Funeral services were conducted in the Promised Land Baptist Church today by the Rev. S. E. Powell, The Rev. Lowell F. Matheney and the Rev. Fred Vining.

Burial was in the Promised Land Cemetery.

Children of MARTHA SLOCUM and HENRY CARPENTER are:

- i. BENNIE<sup>3</sup> CARPENTER, b. December 10, 1886; d. March 10, 1887.
- ii. JOHNNIE CARPENTER, b. February 24, 1888; d. April 09, 1896.
12. iii. GEORGE ALBERT CARPENTER, b. December 04, 1889; d. October 13, 1979.
13. iv. CHARLES FRANCIS CARPENTER, b. July 22, 1892; d. December 18, 1987.
- v. JEANIE MAE CARPENTER, b. May 22, 1895; m. THOMAS WILSON BRENNON, December 21, 1911.
14. vi. WILLIAM VIRGEL CARPENTER, b. July 27, 1899, Hamburg, Arkansas; d. March 01, 1981, Dallas, Texas.

4. FRANCIS MARION<sup>2</sup> SLOCUM (*WILLIAM H.<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 20, 1861 in Arkansas, and died February 06, 1914. He married IDA MARY ROBINSON February 13, 1885.

Notes for FRANCIS MARION SLOCUM:

Obituary from ASHLEY COUNTY EAGLE dated February 12, 1914

Mr. F. M. Slocum, who has been in bad health for sometime, was found dead in bed last Thursday morning at his home in Promise Land neighborhood. He was about forty-seven years old, and is survived by his wife and several children, and a large number of relatives and friends.

Children of FRANCIS SLOCUM and IDA ROBINSON are:

15. i. CARROLL C.<sup>3</sup> SLOCUM, b. June 27, 1886, Arkansas; d. December 11, 1937.
- ii. CALLIE M. SLOCUM, b. December 1888, Arkansas; m. JOHN F. JARVIS, December 24, 1905.
16. iii. JESSE JAMES SLOCUM, b. July 29, 1891, Hamburg, Arkansas; d. April 21, 1956.
- iv. WILLIAM WESLEY SLOCUM, b. January 1898, Arkansas; m. (1) MAUD, 1904, Ashley County, Arkansas; m. (2) SALLIE, 1916, Ashley County, Arkansas.

5. JOHN CARROLL<sup>2</sup> SLOCUM (*WILLIAM H.<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 14, 1864, and died March 09, 1928. He married ELLA EMMA MEARS February 13, 1887 in Ashley County, Arkansas.

Notes for ELLA EMMA MEARS:

Obituary from ASHLEY COUNTY LEADER dated July 25, 1940

Mrs. Ella Slocum, age 72, died at her home near Hamburg Monday morning. She was born at Fountain Hill August 5 1867 and was a lifelong resident of Ashley county. She is survived by four sons, Wiley Slocum of Hamburg, Floyd



Slocum of Harrel, Nelson Slocum of Monticello and Clinton Slocum of Hamburg. Four daughters, Mrs. Jim Holliman of Oak Grove, La., Mrs. Pryor Wheat of Mist, Mrs. Richard Henson of Sheridan and Mrs. C. M. Powers of Winter Garden, Florida. Nineteen grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Funeral services were conducted at Promise Land Tuesday morning at 11:00 a.m. o'clock by Rev. S. E. Powell, assisted by Rev. J. E. Hollingsworth, with Jones Funeral Home in charge.

Children of JOHN SLOCUM and ELLA MEARS are:

17. i. REOLA CLAUSEL<sup>3</sup> SLOCUM, b. December 27, 1888, Hamburg, Arkansas; d. December 24, 1958, Clarksdale, Mississippi.
- ii. JOHN LUTHER SLOCUM, b. May 27, 1891; d. May 07, 1921, Almont, Arkansas; m. ROSE CARMEN CHERRY, April 20, 1919, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Notes for JOHN LUTHER SLOCUM:

Front Page of the ARKANSAS GAZETTE dated May 9, 1921

One man was killed and three others, all residents of Little Rock and North Little Rock were hurt when the engine and two cars of Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 210, the "Sunshine Special," left the track at Almont, six and one-half miles west of Memphis at 11:13 Saturday night. An open switch believed to have been thrown with the deliberate purpose of wrecking the train, was assigned as the cause.

The dead man is John L. Slocum aged 29, fireman, 923 Garland avenue, Little Rock.

The injured are:

B. D. Kellogg, engineer, 215 West Fifth street, North Little Rock, severely bruised.

Robert Scott, railway clerk, R. R. Y. M. C. A., North Little Rock slightly hurt.

C. V. Walker, railway mail clerk, 922 Garland avenue, Little Rock, slightly hurt.

Last night, Engineer Kellogg said that the switch frog had been pried open and held open and that newspapers were found wrapped around the switch light in such a manner as to conceal them.

Engineer Kellogg said that when his engine struck the switch it ran a few feet on the siding then left the rails and overturned at right angles, across the main track. The main car and one coach were also derailed across the tracks, Mr. Kellogg said. The line was blocked until 10:00 o'clock yesterday morning and trains were detoured over the Rock Island tracks by way of Bridge Junction.

A train bearing the body of Fireman Slocum and the injured men arrived here at 11:00 o'clock yesterday morning. The injured were taken to the Baptist hospital where from an examination it was found that Mr. Kellogg, the worst of the three injured, was severely bruised, but had suffered no broken bones. Mr. Kellogg was taken to his home in North Little Rock, where last night he was resting comfortably. Scott and Walker received only minor bruises.

Mr. Slocum was born at Hamburg, Ark., where his parents still reside. He is survived by his wife and two brothers, Floyd Slocum of Mist, Ark., and Wiley Slocum of Fort Worth, Tex., and four sisters. The body will be sent to Hamburg at 8:00 o'clock this morning for funeral services, which will be conducted tomorrow from the Baptist church there. Mr. Slocum was a member of the Woodmen of the World and the Little Rock chapter, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen.

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## Slocum Family Tree

Memphis, Tenn. - Two men are held on the secret docket by police here, and other arrests are promised by Missouri Pacific agents, in connection with the wrecking last midnight of the "Sunshine Special" passenger train, west-bound, on the Missouri Pacific railroad at Almount, Ark., six and one-half miles from Memphis.

John Slocum, fireman, of Little Rock was pinned beneath his engine and almost instantly killed. H. D. Kellogg, engineer, Robert Scott and C. B. Walker, railway mail clerks, suffered minor injuries.

The two men were arrested at Bridge Junction, near the scene of the wreck, by special agents of the Missouri Pacific railway. They claim to be farmers living at Blauton, Ark., and deny all connection with the wreck. No charges have been preferred against them.

According to a statement given out by Missouri Pacific officials here, the switch had been opened, the lights extinguished and newspapers wrapped around the switch lamps.

Notes for ROSE CARMEN CHERRY:

Obituary from ARKANSAS GAZETTE dated May 2, 1987

Mrs. Rose Carmen Norvell, aged 85, of 6301 Lee Avenue, a retired hostess at the former Albert Pike and Lafayette Hotels, died Friday. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and University Park Church of Nazarene. She was a native of Bumpus Mills, Tenn., and was the widow of James Leslie Norvell. She is survived by several nephews and nieces. Funeral will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Griffin Leggett Healey and Roth by Homer Cherry. Burial will be in Lebanon Cemetery at McRae. Memorials may be made to University Park Church of Nazarene, the American Heart Association or a favorite charity. The family will be at 91 Belmont Drive.

- iii. WILEY MARION SLOCUM, b. February 18, 1893; d. October 10, 1967.

Notes for WILEY MARION SLOCUM:

Obituary from ARKANSAS GAZETTE dated October 12, 1967

Wiley M. Slocum, aged 72, of Hamburg died Tuesday. He was a retired carpenter and millwright, a veteran of World War I and a Baptist. Survivors include three brothers, Floyd Slocum of Harrell, Nelson Slocum of Hamburg and Clinton Slocum of Alabama, and three sisters, Mrs. Elsie Wheat of Crossett, Mrs. Christola Henson of Little Rock and Mrs. Ester Powers of Florida. Funeral will be at 2:00 p.m. today at Promisedland Baptist Church near here. Burial will be at Promisedland Cemetery by Jones Funeral Services.

18. iv. FLOYD CALVIN SLOCUM, b. January 21, 1895; d. November 16, 1981.  
19. v. ELSIE Verna SLOCUM, b. December 09, 1898; d. January 20, 1971, El Dorado, Arkansas.  
20. vi. CHRISTOLA SLOCUM, b. August 27, 1899, Hamburg, Arkansas; d. August 11, 1983, Little Rock, Arkansas.  
21. vii. NELSON MILES SLOCUM, b. October 09, 1902; d. April 07, 1982.  
22. viii. ESTHER LEE SLOCUM, b. February 21, 1904; d. April 04, 1985, Miami, Florida.  
ix. CLINTON GARNER SLOCUM, b. August 06, 1908; d. September 07, 1987, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Notes for CLINTON GARNER SLOCUM:



## Slocum Family Tree

Obituary from ASHLEY COUNTY LEDGER dated September 9, 1987

Clinton G. Slocum, aged 79, of Hamburg, died Monday, September 7, 1987, at the V. A. Hospital in Little Rock. Mr. Slocum was a native of Ashley County, a retired construction worker, and a Baptist. He was a veteran of World War II, a Mason, and a member of the Eastern Star.

He is survived by eight nephews and nine nieces.

Funeral services were scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, 1987, at 2:00 p.m. at Promise Land Baptist Church with the Rev. B. G. Woodall officiating.

Pallbearers will be Fred Tucker, A. C. Kilcrease, Billy Stell, Malvin Kelley, James Wells, Lavan Higginbotham, Jesse Collins and Don Kelley.

Interment will follow in the Promise Land Cemetery under the direction of Jones Funeral Home of Hamburg.

6. GEORGIA ANN<sup>2</sup> SLOCUM (*WILLIAM H.*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 25, 1869, and died April 07, 1941. She married JAMES M. THOMAS January 10, 1886.

Notes for JAMES M. THOMAS:

Obituary from ASHLEY COUNTY LEADER dated August 31, 1950

James M. Thomas, aged 84, passed away in the home of his son, J. W. Thomas, in Hamburg, Tuesday, August 29th. Although, Mr. Thomas had been an invalid for several years, his death came unexpectedly.

Mr. Thomas was a native of Ashley County and had lived the greater part of his life in the Promise Land community, coming to Hamburg after retiring.

He was a member of the Promise Land Baptist Church.

Deceased is survived by another son, Searcy Thomas, of West Crossett and a daughter, Mrs. Lula Andrews of Hope. Seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held at the Promise Land Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon by the Revs. Mr. Susky, A. T. Powers and Fred Vining.

Pallbearers were: John Deal, Jessie Ogden, Jack Carpenter, Roy Sawyer, Cecil Brown and Carl Locke. Honorary bearers were the older friends of Hamburg and Promise Land.

Burial was in the Promise Land Cemetery with Jones Funeral Home in charge.

Children of GEORGIA SLOCUM and JAMES THOMAS are:

- i. J. W.<sup>3</sup> THOMAS.
- ii. SEARCY THOMAS.
- iii. LULA THOMAS, m. ANDREWS.



Compiler Mrs. E. J. Williams person No. 1 on this chart is the same  
address 2223 Hollywood Dr., # 67 person as No. \_\_\_\_\_ on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

State Jackson, TN 38305  
1967 ( added 1987 )

4 Richard SHOCKLEY  
(Father of No. 2)  
b. 24 October 1783  
p.b. South Carolina  
m.  
d. 4 August 1847  
p.d. Gordo, Alabama

2 Andrew Jackson SHOCKLEY  
(Father of No. 1)  
b. 24 March 1815  
p.b. Georgia  
m. 30 November 1837  
d. 28 December 1902  
p.d. Hamburg, Arkansas

5 Elizabeth WATSON  
(Mother of No. 2)  
b. 10 March 1787  
p.b. South Carolina  
d. 31 December 1863  
p.d. Gordo, Alabama

Thomas Jefferson SHOCKLEY  
b. 6 October 1861  
p.b. Hamburg, Arkansas  
m. 5 November 1882  
d. 15 February 1947  
p.d. Hamburg, Arkansas

6 John MOORE III  
(Father of No. 3)  
b. 11 April 1785  
p.b. Oglethorpe Co., Ga.  
m. 21 September 1809  
d.  
p.d.

3 Elizabeth Ann MOORE  
(Mother of No. 1)  
b. 10 February 1824  
p.b. Tuscaloosa, Alabama  
d. 13 September 1896  
p.d. Hamburg, Arkansas

7 Sarah (Sally) HAMNER  
(Mother of No. 3)  
b. 17 June 1789  
p.b.  
d.  
p.d.

Ellie Bell BATEMAN  
(Spouse of No. 1)

b. April 1863 d. 12 Oct. 1952  
Louisiana p.d. Hamburg, Ark

8 JAMES SHOCKLEY  
(Father of No. 1)  
b. ca. 1757  
p.b.  
m. 1812  
d.  
p.d. Anderson Co., S.C.

9 2nd RACHEL  
(Mother of No. 4)  
b.  
p.b.  
d.  
p.d.

10 JOHN WATSON ??  
(Father of No. 5)  
b.  
p.b.  
m.  
d.  
p.d.

11  
(Mother of No. 5)  
b.  
p.b.  
d.  
p.d.

12 John MOORE II  
(Father of No. 6)  
b. 15 May 1750  
p.b. Virginia  
m. 19 August 1773  
d. 11 September 1814  
p.d. Madison Co., Ala.

13 Martha Gaines HARVIE  
(Mother of No. 6)  
b. 24 August 1749  
p.b. Albemarle Co., Va.  
d. 8 Jan. 1818  
p.d. Madison Co., Ala.

14 Turner HAMNER SR.  
(Father of No. 7)  
b. 27 December 1752  
p.b. Albemarle Co., Va.  
m. ca. 1775  
d. 15 February 1845  
p.d. Tuscaloosa, Ala.

15 Nancy Ann MOORE  
(Mother of No. 7)  
b. 17 May 1755  
p.b. Albemarle Co., Va.  
d. 2 November 1833  
p.d. 21

16 THOMAS SHOCKLEY, Sr.  
(Father of No. 8)  
b. ca. 1729  
m.  
d. 1813  
17 PRUDENCE  
(Mother of No. 8)  
b.  
d.

18  
(Father of No. 9)  
b.  
m.  
d.  
19  
(Mother of No. 9)  
b.  
d.

20 WATSON  
(Father of No. 10)  
b.  
m.  
d.  
21  
(Mother of No. 10)  
b.  
d.

22  
(Father of No. 11)  
b.  
m.  
d.  
23  
(Mother of No. 11)  
b.  
d.

24 John MOORE I  
(Father of No. 12)  
b.  
m.  
d. 1777 Louisa Co., Va.  
25 Mary BULLOCK (?)  
(Mother of No. 12)  
b.  
d.

26 John HARVIE II  
(Father of No. 13)  
b. 20 Dec. 1706  
m. 10 Jan. 1742  
d. 3 Dec. 1767  
27 Martha GAINES  
(Mother of No. 13)  
b. 11 Nov. 1722  
d. 7 Oct. 1802

28 William HAMNER  
(Father of No. 14)  
b.  
m.  
d. 1788  
29 Mary Elizabeth HENLY  
(Mother of No. 14)  
b.  
d.

30 John MOORE I  
(Father of No. 15)  
b.  
m.  
d. 1777 Louisa Co., Va.  
31 Mary BULLOCK (?)  
(Mother of No. 15)  
b.  
d.



Name of Compiler Mrs. W. J. WILLIAMS  
Address 2223 Hollywood Dr., # 67  
City, State Jackson, TN 38305  
Date June 1937

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same  
person as No. \_\_\_\_\_ on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_.

Chart No. 1

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4 Andrew Jackson SHOCKLEY  
(Father of No. 7)  
b. 24 March 1815  
p.b. Georgia  
m. 30 November 1837  
d. 28 December 1902  
p.d. Hamburg (Ashley) AR

2 Thomas Jefferson SHOCKLEY  
(Father of No. 1)

b. 6 October 1861  
p.b. Hamburg (Ashley) AR  
m. 5 November 1882  
d. 15 February 1947  
p.d. Hamburg (Ashley) AR

5 Elizabeth Ann Mann MOORE  
(Mother of No. 2)

b. 10 February 1824  
p.b. Tuscaloosa Co., AL  
d. 13 September 1896  
p.d. Hamburg (Ashley) AR

Ruth SHOCKLEY

b. 20 December 1894  
p.b. Hamburg (Ashley) AR  
m. 6 January 1915  
d. 20 March 1980  
p.d. Crossett (Ashley) AR

6 Peter Francis BATEMAN  
(Father of No. 3)

b. 10 May 1832  
p.b. GA or Germany  
m. 23 August 1857  
d. 2 July 1863  
p.d. Battle of Gettysburg

3 Addie Bell BATEMAN  
(Mother of No. 1)

b. 1 April 1863  
p.b. Louisiana  
d. 12 October 1952  
p.d. Hamburg (Ashley) AR

7 Mariam Elizabeth PRIDE  
(Mother of No. 3)

b. 6 Feb. 1842  
p.b. Georgia  
d. 2 July 1865  
p.d. Louisiana

James Uriah WALKER, Sr.

(Spouse of No. 1)  
24 Nov. 1889 d. 9 March 1961  
Ashley Co. AR Crossett, AR

8 Richard SHOCKLEY  
(Father of No. 9)

b. 24 October 1783  
p.b. South Carolina  
m.  
d. 4 August 1847  
p.d. Gordo (Pickens) AL

9 Elizabeth WATSON  
(Mother of No. 9)

b. 10 March 1787  
p.b. South Carolina  
d. 31 December 1863  
p.d. Gordo (Pickens) AL

10 John MOORE III  
(Father of No. 5)

b. 11 April 1785  
p.b. Oglethorpe Co., GA  
m. 21 September 1809  
d.  
p.d. East Carroll Parish, LA  
11 Sarah (Sally) HAMNER  
(Mother of No. 5)

b. 17 June 1789  
p.b. Virginia  
d.  
p.d.

12 BATEMAN  
(Father of No. 6)

b.  
p.b.  
m.  
d.  
p.d.

13 (Mother of No. 6)

b.  
p.b.  
d.  
p.d.

14 John ? PRIDE  
(Father of No. 7)

b.  
p.b.  
m.  
d.  
p.d.

15 Amelia GRAYBILL  
(Mother of No. 7)

b. 13 March 1816  
p.b. Georgia  
d. 14 December 1885

16 James SHOCKLEY

b.ca. 1753

d.ca. 1812

18 John ? WATSON  
(Father of No. 9,  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_)

b.  
m.  
d.

20 John MOORE, Jr.  
(Father of No. 10,  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_)

b. 15 May 1750  
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(Father of No. 11,  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_)

b. 27 Dec. 1752  
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23 Nancy Ann MOORE  
(Mother of No. 11,  
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b. 17 May 1755  
d. 2 Nov. 1833

24 BATEMAN  
(Father of No. 12,  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_)

b.  
m.  
d.

25 (Mother of No. 6)  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

26 (Father of No. 13)  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

27 (Mother of No. 13)  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

28 PRIDE  
(Father of No. 14,  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_)

b.  
m.  
d.

29 (Mother of No. 14)  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

30 Phillip GRAYBILL  
(Father of No. 15,  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_)

b.  
m.  
d.

31 Elizabeth MANGHAM  
(Mother of No. 15,  
Cont. on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_)

b.  
d.



DIED, AT HIS RESIDENCE, IN PICKENS COUNTY, ALABAMA, ON THE 4TH OF AUGUST 1847, REV. RICHARD SHOCKLEY, IN THE 64TH YEAR OF HIS AGE. BROTHER SHOCKLEY WAS BORN IN SOUTH CAROLINA, AND RAISED BY BAPTIST PARENTS, WHO TAUGHT HIM TO FEAR GOD. HE WAS CONVINCED OF SIN UNDER THE PREACHING OF THAT POWERFUL MAN, JAMES RUSSELL, AND SHORTLY AFTERWARDS WAS CONVERTED, WHICH WAS ABOUT THE YEAR OF 1820. HE FILLED THE OFFICE OF CLASS-LEADER AND WAS EXHORTER FOR SOME YEARS; AFTER WHICH HE WAS LICENSED TO PREACH, AS A LOCAL PREACHER, IN THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, WHICH RELATION HE SUSTAINED TO THE CHURCH FOR THE LAST 17 YEARS, UNTIL GOD CALLED HIM TO HIS GREAT REWARD. FATHER SHOCKLEY WAS A MAN OF DEEP PIETY; CONSISTENT AND UNIFORM IN HIS CHRISTIAN COURSE, AND HAD THE CONFIDENCE OF THOSE WHO KNEW HIM. I SAW HIM DIFFERENT TIMES IN HIS LAST AFFLICTION. I ASKED HIM WHAT WAS THE STATE OF HIS MIND IN RELATION TO HIS FUTURE CONDITION. HE SAID IT WAS ABOUT AS CALM AS IT COULD BE. IT IS TRUE, SAID HE, I DREAD THE SUFFERING THROUGH WHICH I HAVE TO PASS, BUT WHEN DONE WITH THIS WORLD I SHALL BE FREE FROM ALL PAIN. I ASKED HIM IF THERE WERE ANY CHANGE IN HIS RELIGIOUS VIEWS. HE ANSWERED, NONE. HE SAID, AFTER ALL I HAVE READ AND HEARD, I BELIEVE THEIR DOCTRINES ( MEANING METHODISTS) ARE NEARER RIGHT THAN ANY OF WHICH I HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE. HE FURTHER SAID, IF I HAD MY LIFE TO LIVE OVER AGAIN, I WOULD TRY AND DO MORE GOOD THAN I HAVE DONE. I HAVE SOMETIMES THOUGHT I HAD DONE ABOUT ALL I COULD, BUT, SAID HE, THERE WERE PERHAPS TIMES THAT I MIGHT HAVE DONE SOME GOOD THAT I DID NOT DO. ON THE SABBATH BEFORE HIS EXIT TO THE ETERNAL WORLD HIS SOUL EXULTED IN PROSPECT OF THE REST THAT REMAIN FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD. HE MET DEATH WITHOUT TERROR, BECAUSE GOD WAS WITH HIM, HIS ROD AND STAFF COMFORTED HIM. I HAVE BEEN WITH BROTHER SHOCKLEY IN HIS AFFLICTION; I HAVE BEEN WITH HIM IN REVIVALS OF RELIGION AND IN THE SOCIAL WALKS OF LIFE AND AFTER AN ACQUAINTANCE OF 11 YEARS, I CAN SAY OF HIM WHAT WAS SAID OF BARNABAS, HE WAS A GOOD MAN. BUT HE IS GONE TO THE SPIRIT LAND. I WOULD SAY TO HIS AGED AND AFFLICTED WIDOW, BE RECONCILED TO THE DISPENSATION OF THE LORD. HE IS TOO WISE TO ERR, AND TO GOOD TO BE UNKIND. TO HIS CHILDREN I WOULD SAY, MEET HIM IN HEAVEN. FATHER SHOCKLEY I SHALL SEE THEE AGAIN.

AUG. 30, 1847  
H. M. GLASS



# FAMILY RECORD

## Births

Richard Shockley was born Oct.  
24th 1783. Died Aug<sup>st</sup> 4th 1847,  
Age 64.  
Elizabeth Shockley, nee Watson  
born March 30th 1787. Died Dec.  
31st 1863, age 76 years.  
Charity, Sister, Born Dec. 30th  
1807. Died Aug. 15th 1835, age 28.  
James A. was born Sept. 30th 1809  
Died Sept. 16th 1844, Age 35.  
J.H. was born April 16th 1811,  
near 87 yrs. old.  
J.U. Adah was born March 4th  
1813. Died March 15, 1875, age 62  
A.J. was born March 24th 1815,  
age 82.  
A.M. was born March 20, 1817.  
W.M. was born July 25th 1819,  
age 79  
Thomas W. was born Feb. 1st 1822,  
Died Dec. 12th 1893, age 71  
Libby E. was born Dec. 17, 1825,  
Died Apr. 1st 1846, age 21.

## Births

Marvin N. Taylor  
was Born 22 Sept. 1877  
Robert S. Taylor was  
born December 19th 1872



# FAMILY RECORD

## Births

Andrew J. Shockley was born  
Mch 24th 1815 A.D.

Elizabeth A.M. Shockley was born  
Feb. 10th 1829 A.D.

Margarett Genett Shockley was  
born Aug<sup>st</sup> 4th 1841

James M. Shockley was born  
Dec. 6th 1842

The latter two were baptised  
in infancy By Rev. Wm. A. Smith  
of Ala. Conf.

John R. Shockley was born Oct.  
19th 1845 A.D.

Sarah Ann E. A. Shockley was born  
Aug<sup>st</sup> 19th 1848

The latter two were baptised  
in infancy By Rev. E. Jenkins  
of the Ford Conf.

Josephus C. J. Shockley was born  
July 28th 1850

William Mc A. Shockley was  
born Aug<sup>st</sup> 29th 1853

The latter two were baptised  
by Rev. P. Hasken in infancy

Martha A. Shockley was born Jan<sup>y</sup>  
the 11th 1856

## Births

Edward L. Shockley was born Aug<sup>st</sup>  
14th 1857

Martha C. A. Shockley was born  
Dec. 30th 1858

The latter two were baptised  
in Infancy by Rev. John Pryor

Thom<sup>a</sup> Jefferson Shockley was born  
Oct. 6th 1861 A.D.

Mary Ada Shockley was born  
June the 23rd 1864

The latter two were baptised  
in infancy By Rev. J. H. Warfield



# FAMILY RECORD

## Deaths

James Milton Shockley  
Died July 26, 1846 A.D.  
Martha Amanda Shockley Died  
Sept. 22, 1857 A.D.  
J.C. J. Shockley Died January  
30th 1875 A.D.  
Sarah A. E. A. Taylor Died  
Oct. 18th 1879 A.D.  
Margaret J. Ross Died  
February 28th 1879 A.D.  
Carry E. Taylor Died January  
10th 1875 A.D.  
Letha A.E. Anders Died

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Edward Lewis Shockley  
Departed This Life August  
7th 1880 A.D.  
Carry C. Shockley  
Died August 22nd 1884 A.D.

## Deaths

Elizabeth Ann Mann Shockley  
Nee Moore, Died September 13th  
1896 A.D.

Andrew Jackson Shockley  
Died Dec. 28th 1902



# FAMILY RECORD

## Marriages

Andrew J. Shockley was married  
to Elizabeth A. M. Moore 30th day  
of Nov. 1837 Anno Domini

## Marriages

Copies of the SHOCKLY family are in the files at Paul Sullins Library, Crossett, AR.



# Family Record.

BIRTHS.	BIRTHS.
John Armstrong was born April the 29 1796	Parthenia Ellen Armstrong was born Oct. the 28 1824
Catharine Ann Armstrong was born May the 26 1797	the Little son was born May the 4 1826
Mariah Dixon Armstrong was born July the 15 1818	Thomas Douglas Armstrong was born May the 21 1830
Francis Fenner Armstrong was born July the 29 1819	Robert Ward Armstrong was born Feb. the 17 1833
Joseph Winsor Armstrong was born March the 3 1821	William James Armstrong was born Feb. the 15 1835
Rebecca Shaw Armstrong was born Feb. the 1 1823	Catherine Jane Armstrong was born Feb. the 17 1837



# Family Record.

## BIRTHS.

Melissa Kennette  
Nancy Hazlett  
was born  
Armstrong was  
born Oct<sup>r</sup> the  
22 1843

John Shaw  
Armstrong was  
born April the  
20 1848

Melissa Ann  
Armstrong was  
born Sep<sup>r</sup> the  
15 1852

John Wade  
Armstrong was  
born Oct<sup>r</sup> the  
1 1853

George Dansey  
Armstrong was  
born June the  
14 1855

## BIRTHS.

Belzonia ~~Wade~~  
Ann  
Armstrong our  
daughter was  
born February the  
22 1857

Marah Elizabeth  
Armstrong our  
daughter was born  
November <sup>22</sup> 30 1859

Frances Zephie  
Armstrong was  
born August  
22 1862

Florence Armstrong was  
born Feb<sup>r</sup> 19 1848

Thomas Alford  
Armstrong our son  
was born Oct<sup>r</sup> the 16 1871



J. D. Armstrong joined the Holley Spring Baptist Church  
 Ashley County Arkansas and was Baptized by B. Carrel  
 the 1st Sept 1852

Fathers Jamley Family Record. John D. Armstrong Record

DEATHS.	DEATHS.
John Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> Oct <sup>r</sup> the 4 1854	<del>John W. Armstrong</del> <del>Dec<sup>r</sup> Sept.</del>
Catharine Ann Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> August the 27 1839	John W. Pack Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> Sept. the 11 1855 Age 4 ye 11 mo 11 days
Frances Finner Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> August the 24 1839	<del>Francis</del> Francis Lophesier Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> Aug <sup>r</sup> 11 1863 Age 1 year 10 days
Joseph Lunsey Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> August the 9 1853	Melissa Ann Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> August 22 1865 Age 32 Year 11 months 47 days
Nancy Shaw Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> Sept <sup>r</sup> the 5 1842	<del>Thomas Armstrong</del> <del>our son Dec<sup>r</sup></del> <del>March 26 1873</del> <del>Age 1 year 5 months 10 days</del>
the little one Dec <sup>r</sup> May the 25 1826	Thomas J. Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> Aug <sup>r</sup> 1 1890 Age 60 years 2 months 10 days
Robert <del>Armstrong</del> Dec <sup>r</sup> Feb <sup>r</sup> the 20 1852	
William James Armstrong Dec <sup>r</sup> Novem <sup>r</sup> 21 1862	



John & the Armstrong Family Bible July 21 1855

Family Record.



MARRIAGES.

MARRIAGES.

John Armstrong &  
Catharine Ann  
Shaw his wife was  
married Feb. 6 1817

John & Shaw Armstrong  
& Malissa Ann  
Wade was married  
December 12 1852

John A. Armstrong and  
Silence Ellam my  
second wife was married  
November 17 1865.

Belzoriah Ann  
Armstrong and  
A. H. Armstrong  
was married Aug. 11, 1874

G. D. Armstrong and  
E. C. Runion was  
married Oct. 7 1877

The John ARMSTRONG family Bible pages are on file at Paul Sullins Library, Crossett, AR.



Elizabeth Ann Armstrong was born July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1847

and died

James Albert Armstrong was born Oct. 16 1871

and died March 26 1893

John Deborah Armstrong was born Decem 26 1876

and died April 1 1890

John Lee Armstrong was born August 10 1877

Mary Ellen Armstrong was born August 7 1875

and died Nov 8 1892

~~John S. Armstrong was born April 20 1823~~

John S. Armstrong was born April 20, 1823  
and died June 10, 1893.



## Queries

I am researching MANN's and MAXWELL's in the Ashley County area.

Cheryl Lee MANN  
2536 Redriver  
Mesquite, TX 75150

I am seeking information on: John STANLEY, born 19 November 1881, m. 30 January 1908, died 18 May 1955, buried in Unity Cemetery; Clara Mae WILLIS, b. 31 January 1891; Eugene (Shorty) WILLIAMS, died 1951-56 in Parkdale or Eudora, AR. Also need information on his wife, Ester, who died in the late 40's.

Terri MILES  
HC 32 Box 6558  
Wasilla, Alaska 99654

I am researching the POOL family of Ashley and Union Counties. The children of William H. and Sarah JOHNSON POOL were: Louisa, Susan, Altana, Emeline, William, Marshall, Sarah, Thomas, Martha, Eigenia, and Julia. These children were born between 1813 and 1837. William H. POOL moved to Arkansas from Alabama in the 1840's. Altana C. POOL, born in 1816, married Hosea GEORGE in 1834. Some of their children were: Gaston, Eleanor, Panola, Altana Hosea Mary, and Martha Ann. Altana Hosea Mary GEORGE, born in 1858, married Thomas L. KING in 1874. I have a letter of hers from 1919. In it she mentions some old photos, which I am trying to track down. One of the photographs is of my 3-great grandparents, Thomas L. and Martha POOL TERRY. Thomas L. and Altana Hosea KING had daughter named Lau Lu. Lau Lu KING married William B. de Yampert. Their daughters were named Adele and Lucille de Yampert. I have a few letters written by these two in 1919. The old photos probably descended to one of the daughters. Adelle (1901-1996) married Thomas F. SCANNELL; and Lucille married a JOHNSON. I have more information, especially on the POOL family.

Joe SLATTERY  
605 Balmoral Dr.  
Shreveport, LA 71106

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## ODE TO GENEALOGY

My family coat of arms ties at the back--  
is that normal?  
My family tree is a few branches short.  
All help appreciated.  
My ancestors must be in a witness protection  
program!  
Shake your family tree and watch the  
nuts fall!  
My hobby is genealogy, I raise dust  
bunnies as pets.  
How can one ancestor cause so much  
TROUBLE?  
I looked into my family tree and found out I  
was a sap.  
I'm not stuck, I'm ancestrally challenged.  
I'm searching for myself; Have you  
see me?  
If only people came with pull-down menus  
and on-line help...  
Isn't genealogy fun? The answer to one  
problem, leads to two more!  
It's 2001... Do you know where you Great-  
Great Grandparents are?  
A family reunion is an effective form of  
birth control.  
A family tree can wither if nobody tends  
its roots.  
A new cousin a day keeps the boredom away.  
After 30 days, unclaimed ancestors will  
be adopted.  
Am I the only person up my tree... sure seems  
like it.  
Any family tree produces some lemons, some  
nuts and a few bad apples.  
Ever find an ancestor HANGING from the  
family tree?  
FLOOR: The place for storing your priceless  
genealogy records.  
Gene-Allergy: It's a contagious disease,  
but I love it.  
Genealogists are time unravelers.  
Genealogy is like playing hide and seek:  
They hide...I seek!  
Genealogy: Tracing yourself back to  
better people.

"Crazy" is a relative term in my family.  
A pack rat is hard to live with, but makes a  
fine ancestor.  
I want to find ALL of them! So far I only have  
a few thousand.  
I should have asked them BEFORE  
they died!  
I think my ancestors had several  
"Bad heir" days.  
I'm always late. My ancestors arrived on the  
JUNEflower.  
Only a Genealogist regards a step  
backwards, as progress.  
Share your knowledge, it is an way to  
achieve immortality.  
Heredity: Everyone believes in it until  
their children act like fools!  
It's an unusual family that has neither  
a lady of the evening or a thief.  
Many a family tree needs pruning.  
Shh! Be very, very quiet....I'm hunting  
forebears.  
Snobs talk as if they had begotten their  
own ancestors!  
That's strange: half my ancestors  
are WOMEN!  
I'm not sick, I've just got fading genes.  
Genealogists live in the past lane.  
Cousins marrying cousins:  
Very tangled roots!  
Cousins marrying cousins: A  
non-branching family tree.  
All right! Everybody out of the gene pool!  
Always willing to share my ignorance....  
Documentation...The hardest part of  
genealogy.  
Genealogy: Chasing your own tale!  
Genealogy...will I ever find time to mow the  
lawn again?  
That's the problem with the gene pool:  
NO Lifeguards.  
I researched my family tree...and  
apparently I don't exist!



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